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I. AMENDMENTS

The amendments set forth below are made in response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed March 30, 2000. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the following amendments in the above-captioned application and reconsider the allowability of the application as amended under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111.

A. To the Specification

Applicants request entering the below amendments to the specification.

On page 1, in the paragraph entitled, "Cross-Reference to Related Applications," on the second line, please delete:

"herein incorporated by reference in its entirety".

This text was mistakenly presented in the statement of the chain of priority of the application under 35 U.S.C. § 120. The statement is surplusage as the specification of Application Number 08/113,329 is the identical specification to that of the instant application.

On page 18, line 13, please change "Fig. 6" to -- Figs. 6a and 6b --.

On page 37, line 23, delete both occurrences of "units" and replace both occurrences with -- words --.

On page 37, line 24, delete "words" and replace with -- units --.

On page 37, line 25, delete "words" and replace with -- units --.

The above amendments to the specification are being made to correct typographical errors and to make the sentence consistent with the disclosure. *See*, Applicants' specification at page 14, line 26 through page 15, line 6. No new matter is added by these amendments.